

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Richard GRIFFITHS et al. : ATTN: APPLICATION BRANCH
Serial No. NEW :
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AVIAN CHD GENES AND THEIR USE IN
METHODS FOR SEX IDENTIFICATION
IN BIRDS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 1-32 consisting of pages 51-54 of the published international application papers with the substitute amended sheets consisting of pages 51-54 attached hereto containing claims 1-33.

Furthermore, to the claims 1-33 set forth in the amended sheets, please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 2, line 1, after "in" insert -- claim --.

Claim 5, line 1, delete "either of claims";

line 2, change "3 and 4" to -- claim 3 --.

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